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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application are the following enclosures:

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SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW

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Dear Sir:

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for allowing Applicants to conduct an interview on August 13, 2003 to discuss the pending claims and the scope of the cited art. While no agreement with respect to the claims was reached, potential amendments were discussed to define the invention in the view of the art cited in the Office Action dated February 6, 2003.

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Respectfully submitted,

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